



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 781

LCO No. 2671

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Referred to Committee on Public Health

Introduced by:
(PH)

AN ACT CONCERNING THERAPEUTIC CONTACT LENSES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (f) of section 20-127 of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
3 *October 1, 2009*):

4 (f) [No] Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, no licensed
5 optometrist authorized pursuant to this section to practice advanced
6 optometric care shall dispense controlled substances under schedules
7 II, III, IV and V or under section 21a-252, to any person unless no
8 charge is imposed for such substances and the quantity dispensed does
9 not exceed a seventy-two-hour supply, except if the minimum
10 available quantity for [said agent] such substances is greater than a
11 seventy-two-hour supply, the optometrist may dispense the minimum
12 available quantity. A licensed optometrist authorized pursuant to this
13 section to practice advanced optometric care may acquire, prescribe,
14 dispense and charge for contact lenses that provide vision correction
15 and contain a therapeutic drug agent approved by the federal Food
16 and Drug Administration.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	October 1, 2009	20-127(f)
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Statement of Purpose:

To allow a licensed optometrist to acquire, prescribe, dispense and charge for contact lenses that provide vision correction and contain a therapeutic drug agent approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]